

Yuba-Sutter Right to Life Committee Quarterly Newsletter

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Membership Meeting

On April 30 we held a General meeting featuring Dr. Michael Gabhart, who gave a detailed description of the trauma experienced by women after abortion. Three local women then shared their personal abortion experiences and their healing through Rachel's Vineyard (www.rachelsvineyard.org)—weekend retreats sponsored in this area by the Diocese of Sacramento. Each sharing was educational and profound. Their stories touched the hearts of everyone.

Approximately 40 people were in attendance, many of whom gave high praise for the program and especially for the courage shown by these brave women. Contact us if you would like to have this presentation offered to your church or other organization.

Spotlight on Youth

“In 1973 they said it was a done deal. With Roe v. Wade it was ‘all over,’ and if it weren’t for some pesky, tireless pro-life foot soldiers, constant thorns in the conscience of America, it would have been all over, too. Praise to those bearers of the torch of truth who keep a smoldering ember from being doused by the darkness, who fight in God’s army by God’s power for God’s victory—which is sure.” [Andrée Seu, World, April 8, 2006].

We find these words uplifting. Those of us who have been soldiers in this war for over three

decades have to believe that we will be victorious in the end, and such words as these inspire us to keep up the good fight.

We are also encouraged by today’s young people who will continue to carry the torch, such as 21-year-old Hans Zieger, a conservative columnist and a sophomore at Hillsdale College in MI, who notes that “The rising generation of Americans has been shaped profoundly by two events” that had anniversaries in January: the U.S. Supreme Court *Roe v. Wade* decision 34 years ago and the inauguration of Ronald Reagan 25 years ago.

Because of *Roe v. Wade*, one fourth of Han’s and subsequent generations are missing—46.5 million since 1973. But he notes that public opinion is shifting pro-life and attributes the shift primarily to the Reagan Babies, some 30 million born during Reagan’s presidency. Additionally,

“... the pro-abortion constituency is aging rapidly ... Reagan Babies are standing up for Roe Babies. Slowly, young Americans are helping to rebuild a culture of life. Doing so means more than merely overturning Roe v. Wade — it means that hearts and minds must be changed. Soon, we must pray, they will stop killing our generation.”
(www.hanszeiger.net)

Our friends at Life Dynamics, Inc., have a new division dedicated to

Roe v. Wade survivors, www.deathroe.com, with a special page to honor survivor heroes, anyone born after January 22, 1973 who has had an impact in the pro-life fight against abortion, including Northern California’s own Kaitlyn Sills who was featured in our last Newsletter. **Deathroe.com** has links to over 200 pro-life youth groups!

Yuba-Sutter and Colusa County Fairs

God gives each of us 8,760 hours per year. Can you spare five of those for LIFE?

For 26 years YSRTL has been a presence at the annual Yuba-Sutter Fair, and we just completed our second year at the Colusa County Fair (June 8 through 12), thanks to Jennifer Hackney and her dedicated volunteers. These are our major educational efforts and the greatest opportunities we have to contact large numbers of people with our pro-life message.

Plans are already underway for the Yuba-Sutter Fair, August 2 through 6. For those who wish to become more actively involved in pro-life work, this is a wonderful chance to do so. Each shift is two and one-half to three hours, and we will have a training session July 27. If you are interested, please contact **Maureen Guth (673-1437)** or **Miriam Page (671-5347)**.

Another Perspective

Since the founding of our nation, 1,110,563 men and women have given their lives in the cause of freedom in the various wars we have fought. Without diminishing their sacrifice or showing disrespect, we ask you to also consider how many lives have been lost to abortion since 1973.

CA Legislative Update

Unfortunately anti-family legislation seems to be progressing in our state legislature. A complete report is available on our website at www.ysrtl.org at the link on Legislation for 2005-06. Here are some highlights:

- ✓ **AB 651, Assisted Suicide—** Assemblymembers **Levine (D)** and **Berg (D)**: Will be heard in the Senate sometime between June 20 and 27. This was the bill that was manipulated through the Assembly as a different subject then gutted and presented to the Senate.
- ✓ **AB 1056, Public school curriculum: tolerance and intergroup relations instruction—**Chu (D): this bill *requires* that

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the history and social studies public school curriculum provide for instruction that *promotes the acceptance of homosexual behaviors* (emphasis added). This bill has already been passed in the Assembly and is now in the Senate.

- ✓ **SB 1437, School Instruction—** Kuehl (D): This bill *directs school governing boards* to include instructional material that includes and identifies people who are lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender who have contributed to the economic, political, and social development of California and the United States of America. *This bill does not allow for parents to opt their children out of this instruction* (emphasis added).

These are just the worst examples of anti-life, anti-family laws currently being pushed through our state legislature by lawmakers dedicated to destroying the family as we have known it. Contact Governor Schwarzenegger and ask him to veto any such legislation that comes to his desk.

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